

Adding Grade Levels to Charter Amendment Request

Charterholder Info

Charter Holder	Representative
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Current Grade Levels

Current Grade Levels Served

- 3rd Grade
- 4th Grade
- 5th Grade
- 6th Grade
- 7th Grade
- 8th Grade
- 9th Grade
- 10th Grade
- 11th Grade
- 12th Grade

New Grade Levels

For each grade level being added, provide the following as a representation of a program of instruction aligned to the State's approved academic standards and to methods of instruction described in the charter. Please note that a separate upload must be prepared for each grade level and content area and be named as such. Additionally, applicants must restate the name of the file in the Brief Description box (e.g., First Grade Reading, HS Alegebra II).


For K-8
Language Arts & Math: A completed curriculum sample for reading, writing, and math for each grade level being added including all attachments as outlined on the [required template and instructions](#).


For 9-12
Language Arts & Math: A completed curriculum sample for reading, writing, and math coursework for each grade level being added including all attachments as outlined on the [required template and instructions](#). Each course must align with the State's graduation requirements.


Add Grade Levels


K
1st
2nd


Curriculum Samples


 [Download File](#) — Kindergarten Reading Writing Curriculum sample

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 [Download File](#) — Kindergarten Mathematics Curriculum sample

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Effective Date

06/01/2013

Attachments

Board Minutes —  [Download File](#)

Narrative —  [Download File](#)

Timeline for implementation —  [Download File](#)

Additional Information*
No documents were uploaded.

Signature

Charter Representative Signature
Daniel Scoggin 01/04/2013

ANTHEM PREPARATORY ACADEMY

Board of Directors

Approved Minutes

Date: 15 October 2012

Time: 4 p.m.

Location: Telephone Conference Call

A meeting of the Great Hearts Academies-Anthem Prep Board of Directors was held by telephone conference call, with public invited to join and participate in the entire call by calling 1-866-298-2144 and entering conference code #8999181, pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02, notice having been duly given. Staff was present at the offices of Great Hearts Academies, 3102 N. 56th Street, Suite 300, Phoenix, AZ 85018 for any public wishing to attend in person.

I. Call to Order

Dr. Bezanson called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. The following directors/administrators were present/absent:

Directors	Office	Present	Absent	Notes
Peter Bezanson	President	x		
Tracey Tibbs	Vice President	x		
Dave Beskar	Secretary	x		
Brandon Crowe	Director		x	
Marc Liebman	Director		x	
Administration/Other				
Bryan Smith	Headmaster, APA	x		
Doug Pillsbury	Athletic Director, APA	x		
Dan Scoggin	CEO, GH	x		4:11 p.m. arrival
Ward Huseh	CFO, GH	x		

Ramsey Margison	Staff Accountant, GH	x		
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II. Call to the Public

Dr. Bezanson made a call to the public at 4:05 p.m. No public was present.

Please note change in agenda order.

III. Enter Executive Session

a. Review of Potential Long-Term Lease

Minutes transcribed separately.

Ms. Tibbs made a motion that the board enters Executive Session to discuss a potential long term lease, and further that Mr. Smith, Mr. Pillsbury, Mr. Huseth, Dr. Scoggin and Mr. Margison be invited to join the Executive Session. Mr. Beskar seconded, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried at 4:07 p.m.

IV. Leave Executive Session

Ms. Tibbs made a motion that the board leaves Executive Session. Mr. Beskar seconded, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried at 4:44 p.m.

V. Possible Motions from Executive Session

Ms. Tibbs made a motion that the board authorizes

Great Hearts to continue lease negotiations based on the terms outlined in Executive Session. Mr. Beskar seconded, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried at 4:46 p.m.

VI. Review and Possible Motion to Amend the Charter to Serve Grades K-12

Ms. Tibbs made a motion that the board approves the application to amend the Charter for Anthem Preparatory Academy to serve grades K-2 for school year 2013-14. Mr. Beskar seconded, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried at 4:49 p.m.

VII. Review and Possible Motion to Increase Enrollment Cap to Maximum Allowable by Facility

Ms. Tibbs made a motion that the board approves increasing the enrollment cap to 850 starting June 1, 2013. Mr. Beskar seconded, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried at 4:50 p.m.

VIII. Announcements/Adjournment

Mr. Smith asked for direction on upcoming advertising for Open Enrollment. Mr. Huseh suggested Mr. Smith talk to Patti Tindal at Great Heats to review options.

Dr. Bezanson adjourned meeting at 4:53 p.m.



Submitted by Dave Beskar, Secretary
-Allison Harmon, Scribe-

Narrative Explaining Great Hearts Academies—Anthem Preparatory Academy
Grades Served Change from 3-12 to K-12

Not only is there tremendous demand for classical K-5 curriculum across the Phoenix metropolitan region (and demonstrated by the successes of other classical schools within and without Great Hearts), but there is a tremendous interest within Great Hearts' existing family base. As of Dec 1, 2012, Great Hearts has already received 4153 K-5 applications for 2013-14. ANTHEM PREPARATORY ACADEMY believes that adding grades K through 2 to its existing grades 3 through 5 would elevate the quality of its overall program and support its mission. Great Hearts believes that a rigorous K through 5th grade classical education is a key curricular component to improving the educational quality of ANTHEM PREPARATORY ACADEMY and the quality of schools generally in the vicinity.

In all courses, the K-5 Grade curriculum is constructed to achieve two goals: (1) to bring students with disparate educational backgrounds up to a mastery level before 6th Grade, and (2) to support the particular subjects taught in 6th -12th Grade with a K-5 foundation in skill and content. To maximize the successful achievement of these goals, ANTHEM PREPARATORY ACADEMY and Great Hearts believe that instruction in this curriculum must begin in Grade K.

The K-2 curriculum at ANTHEM PREPARATORY ACADEMY will be a tested, classical Core Knowledge curriculum that has been tied to and mapped onto Arizona State Standards. This K-2 program and curriculum has already seen great success at Archway Chandler, Archway Scottsdale, Archway Trivium, Archway Veritas, and Teleos Preparatory Academy as part of their K-5 curriculum, as demonstrated by the 2012 Stanford 10 NRT scores and parent satisfaction survey results described below. The test rankings below are given as Normal Curve Equivalents (NCE), where 50 is considered average.

Great Hearts Stanford 10 National Percentile Rank (NPR)	2012 Archway Chandler / Archway Scottsdale / Archway Trivium / Archway Veritas / Teleos Average <i>Percent of Students at or above the 50th NPR (50 denotes average performance for grade level)</i>
K Grade	MATH: 75
	READING: 77
1 st Grade	MATH: 73
	READING: 63
2 nd Grade	MATH: 68
	READING: 64

2011-12 Parent Survey Results	2012 Anthem /Archway Chandler / Archway Scottsdale / Archway Trivium / Archway Veritas / Teleos Average
The Quality of my child's education is...	Excellent: 79% Good: 18% Fair: 2% Poor: < 1%
My child's school is following its mission to provide an academically rigorous education	Strongly Agree or Agree: 97% Neutral: 2% Strongly Disagree or Disagree: 1%
I would recommend my child's school to other families	Strongly Agree or Agree: 94% Neutral: 4% Strongly Disagree or Disagree: 2%
Overall, I am satisfied with the school's curriculum	Strongly Agree or Agree: 94% Neutral: 4% Strongly Disagree or Disagree: 2%

Expected Academic Achievement for AIMS, AIMS DPA, and Coursework Mastery

ANTHEM PREPARATORY ACADEMY expects the minimum levels of academic achievement for its new K through 2nd Graders:

- 100% Mastery of coursework for students matriculating from K to 1st and from 1st to 2nd Grade.
- For 2nd Graders, students will exceed the state average scale score on the Stanford 10 by at least 10%.
- Pass rates on 3 - 5th Grade AIMS test that out-pace local district schools by at least 10%
- Raw AIMS scores in the top 40% of all 3-5 students compared to schools state-wide.
- 100% Mastery of coursework for students who matriculate from 5th into 6th Grade.

Timeline for Implementation

If this amendment is approved, ANTHEM PREPARATORY ACADEMY will add two sections each of K through 2nd grade in the fall of 2013-14.

Changes in Staffing

At ANTHEM PREPARATORY ACADEMY, adding 2 sections each of grades K through 2 will require the hiring of 8 additional full time teachers and 6 full time aides. All teachers will be Highly Qualified inasmuch as it is required by state and/or federal statute.